

REMARKS

Claims 97 and 99-107 remain pending in the application.

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) application is submitted in an abundance of caution simply to place references before the Examiner for consideration. The references are referred to in the Information Disclosure Statement presented herewith.

Further, Applicant herewith submits two Information Disclosure Statements and Form PTO-1449's of which it does not yet have initialed copies from the Examiner. These Information Disclosure Statements were initially submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 28, 2001 and September 4, 2001. To the extent the PTO-1449's have not already been initialed in the file, such examination and initialing is requested at this time, and returning of a copy to the undersigned.

Examination of claims 97 and 99-107 is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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